

MOBILE TELESYSTEMS OJSC
Form 6-K
September 19, 2014

FORM 6-K

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer
September 19, 2014

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Commission file number: 333-12032

Mobile TeleSystems OJSC

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Russian Federation

(Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

**4, Marksistskaya Street
Moscow 109147
Russian Federation**

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No

Ad Hoc Notice

September 19, 2014

Moscow, Russian Federation Mobile TeleSystems OJSC (MTS NYSE: MBT), the leading telecommunications provider in Russia and the CIS, announces that transactions involving MTS 's ordinary shares and shares held in depository accounts, as well as trading of the Company 's shares on the Moscow Exchange, will be temporarily suspended due to the reorganization of MTS OJSC through the takeover of subsidiaries approved at MTS 's most recent AGM.

In accordance with recently approved Russian laws, trading on the Moscow Exchange will be suspended the day after documents pertaining to the termination of operations of the subsidiary companies are submitted to relevant tax authorities. Trading in MTS 's shares should resume the day after the Company receives from the tax authorities documents pertaining to the termination of the operations of subsidiary companies, which likely will occur within six working days. It is expected that trading will be suspended on September 25, 2014; trading in Company 's shares should fully resume on October 3, 2014.

The subsidiary companies include Elf CJSC, EFCOM CJSC, Pilot CJSC, TVKiK CJSC, ZhelGorTeleCom CJSC, Intercom CJSC, TRK TVT OJSC, Kaskad-TV CJSC, Kuznetsktelemost CJSC, Sistema Telecom CJSC, and TZ CJSC. The reorganization of these entities was approved at the annual general meeting of shareholders on June 24, 2014.

Recent changes in Russian law do not impact the trading of the Company 's ADRs or shares on foreign exchanges. However, during this period, MTS 's depository bank will not be able to issue or cancel ADRs on behalf of shareholders and ADR holders.

For further information, please contact in Moscow:

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Mobile TeleSystems OJSC (MTS) is the leading telecommunications group in Russia, Central and Eastern Europe, offering mobile and fixed voice, broadband, pay TV as well as content and entertainment services in one of the world's fastest growing regions. Including its subsidiaries, the Group services over 100 million mobile subscribers in Russia, Ukraine, Turkmenistan, Armenia and Belarus, a region that boasts a total population of more than 200 million. Since June 2000, MTS Level 3 ADRs have been listed on the New York Stock Exchange (ticker symbol MBT). Additional information about the MTS Group can be found at www.mtsgsm.com.

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Some of the information in this press release may contain projections or other forward-looking statements regarding future events or the future financial performance of MTS, as defined in the safe harbor provisions of the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. You can identify forward looking statements by terms such as expect, believe, anticipate, estimate, intend, will, could, may or might, and such terms or other similar expressions. We wish to caution you that these statements are only predictions and that actual events or results may differ materially. We do not undertake or intend to update these statements to reflect events and circumstances occurring after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events. We refer you to the documents MTS files from time to time with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, specifically the Company's most recent Form 20-F. These documents contain and identify important factors, including those contained in the section captioned Risk Factors that could cause the actual results to differ materially from those contained in our projections or forward-looking statements, including, among others, the severity and duration of current economic and financial conditions, including volatility in interest and exchange rates, commodity and equity prices and the value of financial assets; the impact of Russian, U.S. and other foreign government programs to restore liquidity and stimulate national and global economies, our ability to maintain our current credit rating and the impact on our funding costs and competitive position if we do not do so, strategic actions, including acquisitions and dispositions and our success in integrating acquired businesses, potential fluctuations in quarterly results, our competitive environment, dependence on new service development and tariff structures, rapid technological and market change, acquisition strategy, risks associated with telecommunications infrastructure, governmental regulation of the telecommunications industries and other risks associated with operating in Russia and the CIS, volatility of stock price, financial risk management and future growth subject to risks.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

MOBILE TELESYSTEMS OJSC

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| By: | <i>/s/ Andrei Dubovskov</i> | |
| | Name: | Andrei Dubovskov |
| | Title: | CEO |

Date: **September 19, 2014**